



Louisiana Poison Center



Thursday, May 6 2010

Deep Water Horizon Incident

Report # 3

Reporting Period: Wednesday May 5, 2010

Current Situation:

- Certified Specialists in Poison Information (CSPI's) at the Louisiana Poison Center (LPC) are being instructed to collect additional information about spill related exposure cases to aid in epidemiological studies.
- The LPC is communicating with the Mississippi Poison Center in Jackson, MS and the Alabama Poison Center in Tuscaloosa, AL to share information and to obtain daily call statistics related to the spill. Data from Mississippi is included in today's report.
- Caution is urged for response workers using insect repellents containing DEET (*N,N*-Diethyl-*meta*-toluamide). Dermal effects include irritation, rashes, and transient numb or burning lips. Prolonged improper use may result in effects including confusion, lack of muscle coordination, nausea, vomiting, and in severe cases seizures. Follow the directions on the particular product being used and do not apply excessive amounts. Wash treated skin with soap and water after returning indoors. If you suspect a dermal reaction flush exposed skin. If the product gets in the eyes flush with water. In either case call the **National Poison Center hotline at 1-800-222-1222** to reach the nearest Poison Center.

Calls Received to Date	LA	MS
General Information Calls	18	2
Human Exposure Calls		
Occupational	0	0
Non-Occupational	0	5 (Vapor inhalation)
Animal Exposure Calls	0	0
Media Requests	4	0